

Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

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Introduction

This hearing was convened in response to an Application for Dispute Resolution (the "Application") made by the Tenant to dispute an additional rent increase and for "Other" issues. The telephone line remained open while the phone system was monitored for ten minutes the only participant that called into the hearing was the Landlord.

Analysis & Conclusion

The Residential Tenancy Branch Rules of Procedure state that the hearing must commence at the scheduled time unless otherwise decided by the Arbitrator. The Arbitrator may conduct the hearing in the absence of a party and may make a decision or dismiss the Application, with or without leave to re-apply. As the Tenant failed to appear for the scheduled hearing and the Landlord appeared and was ready to proceed, I dismissed the Tenant's Application without leave to re-apply. However, the Landlord explained that he understood the rent increase provisions of the *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Act* (the "Act"), and that the Notice of Rent Increase he had served to the Tenant in mid-April 2016 was not going to be effective until August 1, 2016 and that the amount was going to self-correct to \$231.52 pursuant to the 2.9% increase allowed by the *Manufactured Home Park Tenancy Regulation.* This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under Section 9.1(1) of the Act.

Dated: July 13, 2016

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